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SUBJECT: SMITHSONIAN FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL

REF: RINZLER/CHAPMAN LETTER AUGUST 12, 1975

1. SMITHSONIAN ETHNOMUSICOLOGIST THOMAS VENNUM ARRIVING AMSTERDAM SUNDAY, AUGUST 31, KLM FLIGHT 138 FROM LONDON, FOR FIELDWORK IN NETHERLANDS UNTIL APPROXIMATELY 8 SEPTEMBER. MAKING OWN TRAVEL, ACCOMODATION ARRANGEMENTS.

2. WILL CALL ON USIS, PROBABLY TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, TO ADVISE OF PLANS AND RECEIVE GUIDANCE. HAS BRIEF 16MM SOUND FILM AND SLIDE PRESENTATION ON FESTIVAL.

3. DUTCH EMBASSY HERE HAS ALERTED MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND SUGGESTS VENNUM CONTACT J. VOSKULL, DIRECTOR, ROYAL NETHERLANDS ACADEMY OF SCIENCE FOLKSKUNDE BUREAU IN AMSTERDAM AND PERHAPS HANS CITROEN OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. SINCE EMBASSY HAS INDICATED GON UNABLE FUND PARTICIPANTS' TRAVEL, SMITHSONIAN HAS APPEALED TO NETHERLANDS NATIONAL TOURIST OFFICE, NEW YORK, FOR UNCLASSIFIED

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4. SMITHSONIAN WILL WELCOME SUGGESTIONS POST PROVIDES
VENNUM AND APPRECIAE USIS ACCOMPANYING HIM ON

OFFICIAL CALLS. INGERSOLL

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